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In re Application of:

Stephen P. Farwell et al.

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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated May 6, 2003, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between (1) Species A, as shown in Fig. 2; (2) Species B, as shown in Figs. 6a - 6c; (3) Species C, as shown in Figs. 17a and 19; or (4) Species D, as shown in Figs. 20, 21a-21c, and 22. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Species B, as shown in Figs. 6a-6c. Claims 1-28 read on the elected species.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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